

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Mitsuhiro OSHIKI et al.  
Serial No.: 10/593,072  
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Title: MEDICAL IMAGING DIAGNOSIS APPARATUS  
AND MEDICAL IMAGING DIAGNOSIS METHOD  
Group: 3768  
Examiner: BRUTUS, Joel F.  
Confirmation No.: 6475

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

**MAIL STOP: AF**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

March 30, 2010


Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the second month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed October 19, 2009. The statutory fee of \$490.00 was paid is electronically submitted herewith.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 529.46525X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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